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### State of Utah

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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Division of Oil, Gas and Mining

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Division Director

August 24, 2009

CERTIFIED RETURN RECEIPT 700 2570 0000 4801 6836

Jeffery Sagers Southwest Stone 2421 West 350 North Hurricane, Utah 84737

Subject: Termination and Final Assessment for State Cessation Order (MC-2008-01-01),

Southwest Stone, Limestone Mesa/Desert, M/053/0059, Washington County, Utah

Dear Mr. Sagers:

As per the informal conference held on December 4, 2008, there were 3 items identified in the Findings and Conclusion as ordered:

- 1. Southwest Stone is hereby ordered to diligently work with Division Staff to complete the revised NOI for the site.
- 2. The assessed penalty of \$4,180 is held in abeyance pending review of the revised NOI and revision of the reclamation surety amount for this project. So long as operator is responsive to Division staff, in providing necessary responses to finalize the revision and modifies the reclamation surety as determined by the amendment, this fine may be waived.
- 3. Upon completion of the permitting for the revised NOI, the operator will be informed of the final outcome of the revised penalty (whether it is waived, or reinstated). At that time the operator will be informed of his appeal rights and procedures for requesting an appeal, if desired.

Southwest Stone has worked with the Division to complete the revised permit for this project. Southwest Stone has also regraded approximately 15.6 acres since the cessation order was issued in part to reduce the reclamation liability (and surety requirement). The Division has calculated the requisite surety amount to complete reclamation of the site, and has determined that Southwest Stone has provided adequate surety (to the Division and BLM). With the revisions to the NOI, and having adequate surety posted, the Division is also terminating the cessation order (termination notice is attached).

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As per items 2 and 3, the Division has decided to waive the finalized assessment of \$4,180. In doing so, the Division has considered the diligence of Southwest Stone in revising their NOI for this project, and the reclamation efforts to reduce the liability at the site, which has resulted in assuring that the reclamation surety currently held by the Division, and the BLM is sufficient to complete reclamation of the site. However, future unauthorized disturbance outside of approved permit boundaries will result in further enforcement action, which may be compounded by this, and other prior enforcement actions

Thank you for your cooperation in resolving these issues. As always please don't hesitate to call us if you have any questions.

Sincerely

Dana Dean, P.E.

Associate Director, Mining



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# TERMINATION of Cessation Order

To the following Permittee or Operator:	
Name: Jeff Sagers, Southwest Stone	
Mailing Address: 2421 West 350 North, Hurricane,	UT 84737
Mine Name: <u>Limestone Mesa/Desert Bronze Mine</u>	Permit Number: <u>M/053/0059</u>
Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act, Section 40-8-1 et. sec	q., Utah Code Annotated (1953):
Cessation Order No: MC-2008-01-01	dated April 10, 2008
is vacated terminated because: All	abatement work has been completed, and the
Division now has adequate reclamation surety for this operation.	
Date of service/mailing: August 17, 2009	
Lynn Kunzler	Enviornmental Scientist/Sr. Reclamation Biologist
Division of Oil, Gas & Mining Representative	Title
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